BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 Virtual – Teams Meeting

Attendance included:

Committee Members	Staff	Guests
Alyssa Boxhill, Chair	David Edmondson	
Marien Hornyak		
Russell Richardson		
Shayne Boucher		
John Thomas		
Roger Rinker		
Eric Eckl		
Jennifer Whitmore		
Lou Huzella		
Alderman Russell		

Chairman's Report: Meeting Called to Order at 6:30

Announcements:

No announcements.

Approval of Minutes:

August 4, 2020

Motion: Shayne Boucher made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Second: Lou Huzella.

Vote: 10-0.

Staff Review:

• Crash Report

No comments.

• Bike rack/parking locations

- Alyssa asked if David had the chance to speak with the fire department to find out more about the clearance for the closed portion of Market Street. Dave stated the clearance does not have to be 20 feet.
- o Marien asked if these bike racks currently exist or to be purchased? David stated they would need to be purchased.
- o Marien asked what is the price per rack? David responded the racks are not that expensive roughly \$100-\$200 but what is costly is the installation.
- O Shayne asked if David thought the potential parking areas on Market Street would need permanent bolts in it or would it be considered temporary for allowing closed street dining. David feels that #1 and #14 are good opportunities for the temporary. Also, #12 and #13. He added that he is not sure how much it would cost to get one of those created.
- Alderman Russell asked if anyone from our historic preservation staff go with us because these would need approval from the Historic Preservation Commission.
 David said no but he will speak with them regarding these.

- Alderman Russell asked if David could describe what he is talking about when he states "temporary". She wants to know how secure they will be. David stated that this would be like what is done for the fair which he believes is a large concrete block with the racks bolted into them.
- O Russell asked if these would be in a parking spot or the sidewalk? David replied it depends on the item.
- O Jennifer asked for clarification on the temporary ones saying the cement block that you have racks bolted to and they will be up all the time just during the street closures? What is the thought with that? David said the thought it would be up during the street closures however he is open to suggestions.
- O Alderman Russell asked what type of labor it takes to place these blocks in the street. David asked how are the ones for the fair done? Alderman Russell said what they have previously done is take more like barrier gates that have vertical slats in them and positioned them hoping people could stick their tires in them, but it does not really work. They do not have anything bolted to a jersey barrier that she is aware of.
- Alyssa stated what she has seen for them being installed temporarily in parking spaces are the banks of "U" racks that are attached at the bottom and they can be bolted to the ground but do not necessarily have to be.
- Russell asked if it is an option to have a semi-permanent bike park area where you install it for a few months. David stated he does not believe we have the legal basis for such a thing.
- Shayne asked if economic development talked with the businesses to find out if they
 would be receptive to having a bike rack installed near their sites. David responded
 no.
- Jennifer asked about the "U" temporary racks would be feasible at the sites that were identified #1 and #14 so we would not have to do the jersey barrier situation or no.
 Alyssa responded that assuming #14 was an actual parking space she said yes but it would have to be the size of an actual parking space.

• Intersection prioritization

• Marien stated the corner of north west 3rd and Market in her opinion is more important because that is where the bed and breakfast is and that corner is all brick and the difference between the texture of brick and truncated circles is confusing so she feels having the circles is crucial. David stated he would make sure to add that to the list.

• Bus stop prioritization

- Alderman Russell asked David what is the highest potential score? David replied that it is 160.
- Alderman Russell asked if there was any update on the Route 40 side path bus lane project? David responded not at the moment that they are still waiting for proposals from SHA.

• Bike/Ped Draft Plan

- Alyssa asked if there was any framework or case studies that we would be following for the public opinion survey and data gathering since we have not done that in a city wide basis or something that we can follow in terms of best practices. David said yes but he has not gathered those items yet but is hoping to get input from specialized firms that do polling to help us build this or do it themselves. He added it depends on the funding.
- O Alderman Russell asked if David was talking about staff creating this entire plan or is this something, we are looking to get a consultant involved with. David stated that staff would be involved with the whole plan because of the budget issues we do not feel we can do it this fiscal year. He feels that staff has enough expertise to do it themselves without having consultants.

 Alyssa assumes this is building from some of what had begun by Tim Davis. How far along of what he has done gotten us in that timeline. David responded he has one chapter with an outline of how he wanted it to go. This would also build upon the Shared Use Path Plan and On Street Bike Plan that he just started to sketch.

Discussion: League of American Bicyclists Path to Silver

• Discussion was pushed to a later month.

Committee Member Announcements or Comments:

- Marien stated for anyone interested and would like a resource on to learn more about the
 visually impaired and their different needs there is an Instagram account called the "Blind
 Kitchen Lady" who just wants to purely educate the public on the day to day of the visually
 impaired.
- Alderman Russell stated that September 22, 2020 is Car Free Day.

Public Comment:

• No public comment.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Lou Huzella.

Second: Russell Richardson.

Vote: 10-0.

Adjourned approximately 7:20 P.M.